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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE BUDGET SESSION, 1115

Tuesday, the *23rd July 1940* / *8th Karkadagam 1115*

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble the President (SIR SHANMUKHAM CHETTY, K. C. I. E.), in the Chair.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan was absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

HEALTH VISITORS TRANSFERRED TO THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

1. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of health visitors who were in the Public Health Department before the closing down of two health centres and subsequent re-organisation ; of these, how many were confirmed ; how many were acting ; the grade of pay of such health visitors ;

(*b*) how many of them were transferred to posts in other departments or in the same department carrying a lower pay ; the grade of pay of the hands thus transferred or reverted ;

(*c*) the number of health visitors at present in the Public Health Department and their pay ;

(*d*) what were the special reasons for selecting a few for posts in lower grades ; under what principles was this discrimination made ;

(*e*) the names of persons who were health visitors formerly, but holding posts of lower grade at present with the total service each one has put in as health visitor;

(*f*) whether those who are thus depromoted have any chance of promotion in the Medical Department in the near future?

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Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) 24. All the health visitors were permanent and in the grade of Rs. 25—40.

(*b*) 12 health visitors were drafted to the Medical Department—9 as Midwives on Rs. 16—1—30 and 3 as clerks on Rs. 15—2—25. The grade of the remaining health visitors in the Department was also reduced to Rs. 16—1—30.

(*c*) 11 ; Rs. 30 in the grade of Rs. 16—1—30.

(*d*) The grade of pay of all the health visitors was reduced. In the case of the 3 health visitors appointed as clerks, there is, however, a further reduction of pay, their grade being Rs. 15—2—25 only. But it was at the request of the incumbents themselves that they were selected for the clerk's posts.

(*e*)

Name	*Total service as health visitor* Y. M. D.
Midwives on Rs. 16—30	
P. C. Kunjitty	4—0—0
P. V. Ittichiri Warassiar	4—0—0
K. Janaki Amma	4—0—0
B. Karthiayini Amma	2—0—0
E. K. Kurumba	2—0—0
N. A. Mariam	2—0—0
K. Karthiayini Amma	2—0—0
K. V. Monica	2—0—0
C. Kamala Amma	2—0—0
Clerks on Rs. 15—25	
N. J. Mary	3—0—0
T. Ammini Warassiar	3—0—0
Mary D'Cunha	2—0—0

(*f*) No.

PUBLIC WELL AT KOONAMOOCHI—CONSTRUCTION OF

2. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government has taken any steps to construct a new public well at Koonamoochi to fulfil the promise of the Hon'ble Minister on the floor of the House in reply to question No. 333 (*b*) on the 28th March 1939 ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* The work will be taken up in 1116.

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